

THREE POSSES SEEK TO ENCIRCLE BLISS BANDITS

LINER ALAUNIA SUNK BY MINE IN ENGLISH CHANNEL

Ship Goes Down Between Falmouth and London.

SOME OF CREW MISSING

Passengers Believed to Have Been Landed Safely.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—The liner Alaunia was sunk by a mine in the English channel between Falmouth and London, according to cable advices to the Cunard line here today.

Some of the crew missing. The Alaunia sailed from this port October 7 with passengers, but the Cunard line officials believe that they were all landed at Falmouth, according to the usual custom. Captain Benson and some of the crew were saved, according to the cable message, but some are missing.

On Way to London. The Alaunia called at Falmouth on Tuesday and was on her way to London when she struck the mine, some time this morning.

WOODWORTHS ARE DENIED DIVORCE

Judge Hayson this morning refused to grant a divorce to Mrs. Willis Woodworth, wife of Allen Woodworth, a former local high school football star, but gave her the custody of their 2-year-old son.

After the decree was denied, the young couple had a long consultation together in private. Woodworth bent over his wife speaking earnestly with the appearance of making a request. She frequently nodded her head affirmatively. Although they would not announce the result, it was intimated, their differences will be patched up.

PERMIT ISSUED FOR \$40,000 STORE BUILDING

Work is to begin at once on the construction of a two-story brick and concrete store building to be erected at 321 West Main street by Reinhardt & Donovan for Sidney L. Brock and Joseph Myer.

SERBIANS TAKE TOWN OF BROD IN MACEDONIA

French Make Further Progress South of Somme.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—The Serbians have captured the village of Brod on the western end of the Macedonian front, the French war office announced today.

The repulse of allied attacks with heavy losses on the Saloniki front is reported in an official statement issued by the German war office at Berlin today. The situation on the Rumanian front is unchanged.

French Drive Back Germans. South of the Somme between Biaches and La Maisonette the French made further progress last night, it was announced officially. All the gains made Wednesday were held in the face of several counter attacks.

Germans Deny Defeat. Desperate fighting occurred Wednesday on the Somme front, the German war office announced, in consequence of efforts to pierce the German line on the Le Sars-Morval front. The attacks were continued from daybreak until noon and are said to have failed partly under the German fire. The German positions either were held or were recaptured after being lost, the statement says.

Germans Defeat Russians. German troops took the offensive yesterday in Volhynia and captured Russian trenches on the west bank of

Man in Race With Stork Fined \$25 in Court for Speeding

Even if a man is trying to beat the stork to his home he mustn't drive an automobile over the city streets at a speed in excess of that laid down in the traffic laws.

Judge Spiller made this ruling in the city court this morning when he fined a merchant \$25 and costs for speeding. The man explained that it was an emergency case in that he was rushing home from a drug store in a race with the stork.

The fine was suspended.

MATRON ACTS AS AN AID TO CUPID IN THE CITY JAIL

Boy and Girl Held; Must Marry to Gain Liberty.

There was a smile on the face of Ola Priest, pretty 17-year-old girl, when she took her seat in the prisoner's dock in the city court this morning. She was there on yesterday morning and Monday morning also, but the smile was lacking.

Became Engaged. Last night she became betrothed to Judge Shelton, a young man with whom she was arrested several days ago, and that was the reason for the change of expression. Mrs. H. V. Thompson, police matron, acted as the aid to Cupid.

Judge Spiller, after consulting with Mrs. Thompson, announced that the jail doors would swing open for both Shelton and the girl if they would get married, as they had indicated was their desire.

License Denied. Ray Frazer, motorcycle patrolman took Shelton to the courthouse to procure the license. The marriage bureau clerk shook his head. Shelton is only 19 years old; no license is issued to a minor without the parent's consent. Shelton was crestfallen when returned to his cell in the city jail.

In the matron's room the bride, with her mother, is now waiting while officers are trying to reach Shelton's father at Norman to get his consent to the wedding.

KANSAS IS KILLED THROUGH WINDOW

Murderer of Wealthy Bachelor Fired Gun Through Glass.

LOUISBURG, Kan., Oct. 19.—William H. Patterson, 52 years old, wealthy bachelor, was shot and killed last night while seated in his home near Louisburg. The assassin used a shotgun, firing through a window near where Patterson was seated reading. The murderer escaped undetected. Except for his two sisters, Patterson was alone in the house. When they attempted to telephone for aid it was discovered that the wires into the house had been cut.

Many features of the murder resemble the unsolved assassination of George McElheny several years ago.

Americans in Persia Safe. NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—American commissioners at Hamadan and Kermanshah, Persia, for whose safety anxiety had been felt, are safe and well provided for, according to a cablegram from the American embassy at Constantinople received by the board of foreign missions of the Presbyterian church here.

Colder Weather Tonight, Foreseen

Local Forecast—Fair and colder tonight with freezing temperature; Friday fair weather.

State Forecast—Tonight fair and cold with freezing temperature; Friday fair; warmer in western portion.

ARKANSAS—Fair; colder; frost except in southern portion; freezing in north west portion; Friday, fair.

WEST TEXAS—Fair; colder; frost in south portion; freezing in north portion; Friday, fair; warmer.

KANSAS—Colder with heavy rain; Friday, fair with slowly rising temperatures.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE

10 p. m. 40
11 p. m. 38
12 midnight 35
1 a. m. 32
2 a. m. 30
3 a. m. 28
4 a. m. 25
5 a. m. 22
6 a. m. 20
7 a. m. 18
8 a. m. 15
9 a. m. 12
10 a. m. 10
11 a. m. 8
12 noon 5
1 p. m. 3
2 p. m. 1

GERMANS ADMIT BELIEF BREMEN HAS BEEN SUNK

Loss Virtually Conceded by Washington Diplomats.

BERLIN IS WITHOUT NEWS

Should Have Arrived in America Month Ago.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Loss of the German submarine merchantman Bremen virtually was conceded today by ranking Teutonic diplomats in position to be familiar with the movements of the vessel. The Bremen is now one month overdue.

It was admitted that German officials not only in this country but in Berlin, were without information as to the fate of the Bremen. All they know is that she set out for America from Bremen, and that she should have arrived at an American port soon after the middle of last month. It is regarded as doubtful that accurate information concerning the fate of the vessel will be available until after the close of the war, if then.

WOMAN SHOT BY "LITTLE DAVE" MYERS IS DEAD

Mrs. Cariker Dies in Hospital; Husband at Side.

Mrs. Julia Cariker, 25 years old, shot by "Little Dave" Myers yesterday afternoon on Dewey avenue, died at the Emergency hospital this morning at an early hour. Her husband, J. A. Cariker, a Katy plumber, was with her when she died.

Tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock Perine & Hahn will send the body of Mrs. Cariker to Harrah, the home of her parents.

A coroner's jury empaneled by Justice of the Peace Donnell visited the undertaking parlors of Marshall & Harper this morning and viewed the body of Myers. The inquest is scheduled to take place before Donnell this afternoon.

No funeral arrangements for Myers have been made.

Padlock Will Be Placed on Joint. A permanent injunction was granted this morning by Judge Oldfield against J. C. McElheny, enjoining him from ever again selling liquor in this county. His joint was declared a public nuisance and the injunction ordered the furniture and fixtures destroyed and a padlock placed on the door to prevent further use of the building.

In the trial of McElheny, J. W. Sanders, evidence man in the county attorney's office, declared he had bought beer at the McElheny joint at 1905 West Grand avenue. An attempt will be made to secure the other injunctions today also, announced Assistant County Attorney Van Winkle, who conducted the prosecution.

Kansans Going Home. SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Oct. 19.—The First Mississippi infantry reached here today and took station at Camp Wilson. It relieves the Second Kansas infantry which is scheduled to start for home Tuesday, October 24.

Mother Clings to Her Son Who Is Found Guilty of Murder; Condemns State

Mr. and Mrs. David H. Knight, the parents of John Knight who was sentenced to fifteen years in the penitentiary last night for the murder of G. E. Long, did not learn of the verdict until they entered the county jail this morning for their visit to their sons, John and Jesse. When the parents were informed of the sentence by the jailers, they were stunned with surprise.

The mother gave a low cry and stumbled to a chair. She almost fainted. It was some time before she was strong enough to go back to the cells where her boys were waiting. Jesse, the eldest son, was sentenced to twenty years when he was tried last winter. The mother, dressed in black, never left the jail all morning. The parents will return to their home in Macon county, Tennessee, tomorrow night, the father said.

FRONT TO HEAR PLEA FOR PEACE



David Starr Jordan, STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., Oct. 19.—David Starr Jordan, chancellor of Stanford University and peace advocate, plans to carry his peace campaign straight to the battlefields of Europe next spring, according to an announcement made here today. In the early spring Dr. Jordan will begin a transcontinental peace speaking tour.

First Freeze Promised For City Tonight

Weather Bureau Forecasts a Killing Temperature; Is Snowing in Kansas.

Freezing temperatures in practically all parts of Oklahoma are forecasted by the local weather bureau for tonight. It is probable that cotton will be killed in all the central counties of the state.

Cold Wind Comes. A cold wind with a velocity of about twenty-five miles an hour swept down onto Oklahoma City from the north at 4 o'clock this morning. Last night's warm weather changed almost instantly to winter, and at 10 o'clock this morning the thermometer had reached 36 degrees above zero—four degrees above freezing. It is probable that by tomorrow afternoon the gale will have passed.

According to the weather bureau, the present cold weather is indirectly a result of the tropical storm raging on the gulf and Florida coasts. Yesterday, Florida was covered by a low pressure area. The atmosphere from the high pressure areas in the north began rushing immediately in the direction of the "vacuum" and reached Oklahoma this morning.

Blizzard in Dakota. OMAHA, Nov. 19.—A blizzard today extended practically over all of

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Santa Fe Train Outlaws Driven Off Without Loot

ROBBERY DEVELOPMENTS BRIEFLY TOLD

Three posses are endeavoring to corner the bandits who held up the Santa Fe passenger train at Bliss Wednesday night. C. B. Kinne, general agent of the Wells Fargo Express company, says the bandits got no money from the safe they destroyed.

The would-be robbers are believed to have reached the Osage country by daylight. Part of them are known to have been on horseback and others are thought to have escaped in an automobile.

The body of Percy A. Norman, the mail clerk, was taken to his home in Newton, Kan.

No Money in Safe Blown Open in Three Attempts

BIG THROUGHS DELAY WILSON ON WAY WEST

President Greeted by Crowds Through Ohio and Illinois.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—The train bearing President Wilson to Chicago for a twelve-hour visit and a program of three speeches was an hour late, owing to crowds along the route through Ohio and Indiana which encroached on the schedule time of the train. An immense crowd waited patiently at the railroad station and along the streets to be traveled by the presidential party to the hotel.

Unscheduled stops also played havoc with the schedule, it was explained by members of the party. On the way to the hotel where he expected to confer with party leaders, Mr. Wilson stood in his automobile and bowed in response to cheers and applause. He was welcomed at the train by members of the staff from western campaign headquarters and a formal reception committee.

REALTY VALUES AT WATERWORKS SITE TAKE JUMP

City Will Not Pay Fancy Figures, Says Donnelly. Realty values in Oklahoma county have gone up. City commissioners found this out this morning when they began to dicker with owners of land on which the new waterworks plant is to be located.

Values Up Suddenly. "Land that is practically worthless has suddenly become very valuable," said Mike Donnelly, commissioner of accounting and finance.

"One property holder owning a small strip in the bed of the river for which there never has been any earthly use but which the city must have is asking \$300 an acre for it."

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ONE SUBMARINE SINKS 126 SHIPS

Lieutenant Perriere Decorted for Record in U-35.

BERLIN, Oct. 19.—The order of Pour le Merite has been awarded Lieutenant Commander Arnould de la Perriere, commander of the submarine U-35, for his achievements in sinking 126 vessels, totaling 270,000 tons. Among the vessels destroyed by the U-35 were one French and one English small cruisers. While assigned to the Mediterranean, Commander Perriere sank a number of loaded transports, munition ships and eleven armed merchantmen. He is credited with fighting seventeen battles and in one voyage destroyed 91,000 tons of shipping and brought home four cannon as prizes. The U-35 visited Cartagena, Spain, last June.

TRAIL OF AUTO AND HORSES MAY LEAD TO CAPTURE

Car Races Away From Scene of Hold-Up.

TWO STRANGERS MOUNTED

Ranchman Gives Description of Suspicious Characters.

BLISS, Okla., Oct. 19.—(Special.)—Three posses are still hunting this afternoon over the whole country along the Arkansas river east of Bliss for the six men who last night held up Santa Fe passenger train No. 405 and killed Percy A. Norman, railway mail clerk, of Newton, Kan.

The robbery took place at the edge of the 101 ranch, where the would-be robbers blew the safe in the express car, escaping without any loot. Norman was killed when he appeared in the door of the mail car and did not obey the order to jump to the ground.

Trail Leads East. The posses found the remains of the lariat with which horses had been tied in the deep ravine just off the railroad, and discovered some distinctive marks from the shoes of two of the horses, the trail leading east out of the valley toward the Osage country. The posses are endeavoring to pick up the trail where the bandits crossed the Arkansas river.

Several false leads and clues had been run down, but one is still being followed. This is that a part of the men were in an automobile which was stationed at the crossing south of the scene of the holdup.

Follow Automobile. Deputy Sheriff George Baines, Chief of Police Emmett Delaney, Under-sheriffs B. W. Wyatt and John Embrey and Fire Chief Ernest Cooper, all of Perry, the county seat of Noble county, formed a party which was following the lead of the automobile trail.

Joe Carson, a ranchman living north east of Bliss, said he had seen four men, two of them in a car and the other two riding sorrel and bay horses, loafing in the valley above Bliss all Wednesday afternoon. The tracks in the valley where the robbers' horses were hidden matched those made by the horses Carson described.

Passed Over Bridge. The horse trail went east and the car trail into the main road, thence west, where a bridge is being repaired, four miles west of Bliss.

The bridge repairers are camped beside it at the edge of the stream. These men reported that a car passed at high speed thirty minutes after the time of the robbery.

It is probable that the bandits were safe in the Osage country by daylight. The sheriff of Kay county was working northeast, the forces of the sheriffs of Noble and Logan counties were working northwest and the Osage county officers were working southwest, in the hope of cornering the bandits just east of the Arkansas river in the Osage country.

Body Taken to Arkansas City. The body of Norman, after being viewed by a justice of the peace at Bliss, where it was taken immediately after the robbery, was taken by a special Santa Fe train to Arkansas City, where it was prepared for burial. Norman's home was in Newton, Kan., where he had a family. He had been in the mail service several years and was known throughout his territory.

Another Safe in Car. It is reported that there was an extra safe in the express car in which a great quantity of gold and silver coin was being carried. Only one safe was blown by the bandits in their hurry to get through and get away, and it changed to be the service safe, which was empty. The other safe was hidden in the car, it is reported, because of a warning to the express company some time ago that this robbery would be pulled off. Further strength was lent to this report by the fact that a man now serving time in the penitentiary for connection with a bank robbery in Kay county was supposed to have been in on the original plan.

Frightened by Auto. The robbers worked methodically throughout the whole maneuver and seemed to have had their plans laid for the whole job at the beginning. But for the fact that R. J. Huston, the Bliss auto driver, went down to where the train was stopped, thinking there had been a wreck the robbers undoubtedly would have carried the original plans to completion but Huston's appearance on the scene, throwing his automobile lights on the train, and walking boldly forward led the bandits

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